

Working to ensure our men and women in uniform receive the best care possible, Rep. Debbie Halvorson (IL-11) visited Walter Reed Army Hospital in Washington, DC today to meet with wounded troops and talk to hospital officials to review this vital part of the military medical system.

"Our troops put their lives on the line for us every day, and we must remember to never stop working for them," said Halvorson. "Spending time with our wounded heroes and those who are working to rehabilitate them, I'm reminded of what makes our country so great - the valor of our servicemen and women. I will always work to ensure that our military and their families are represented and entitled to the best care in the world, and visiting Walter Reed is an important part of checking in on the progress of that mission."

As the only member from Illinois on the House Veterans Affairs Committee, Congresswoman Halvorson has been a strong advocate for military families and veterans. In her first year in office, Halvorson introduced and fought for several pieces of legislation aimed at helping wounded veterans and military families, including *Families of Disabled Veterans Work Opportunity Act*, HR 3908, and the *Wounded Warrior Caregiver Assistance Act*, HR 2898.

As a member of Subcommittee on Health, the Congresswoman toured the military medical system in Afghanistan and Germany last spring.